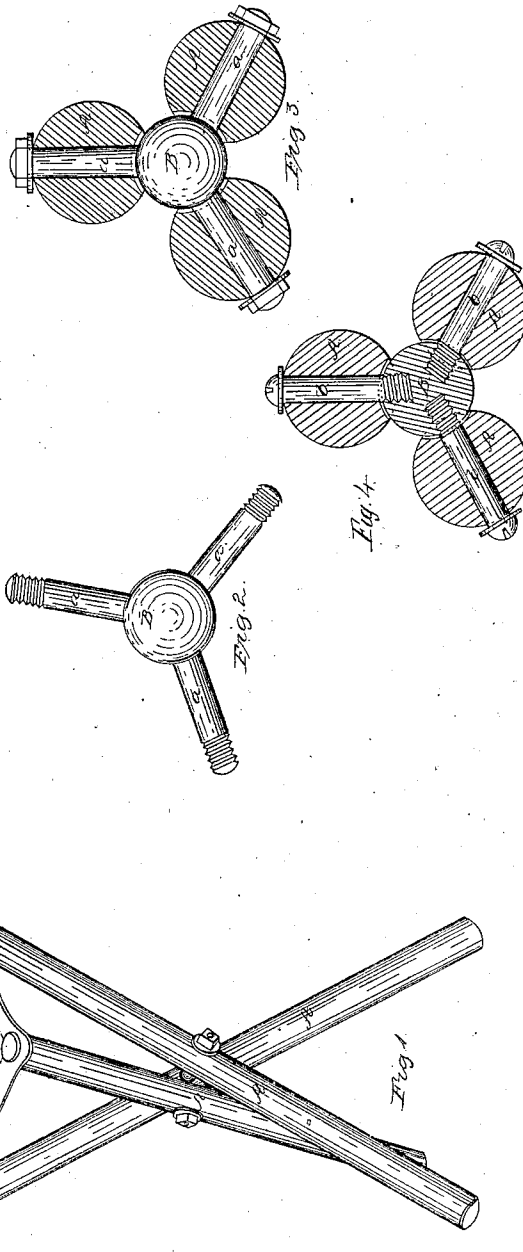


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NATHANIEL JOHNSON, of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented, made, and applied to use a new and Improved Camp-Stool; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and correct description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, in which—

Figure 1. is a view of my improved camp-stool when opened for use; Fig. 2. a view of the central ball employed; Fig. 3. a view showing the legs attached to the central ball; Fig. 4. a view showing a second mode of attaching the legs to the central ball.

Like parts of the invention are designated by the same letters of reference in the drawings.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and operation of an improved camp stool as hereinafter set forth.

To enable those skilled in the arts to make and use my invention I will speak of its construction and operation.

A A A are legs for supporting the seat of my improved camp-stool, which legs are formed of wood or any desired material and are provided with a concave recess upon their inner sides, so as to move freely when opened and closed upon the central ball B.

B shows a central ball, forming the joint upon which the legs A A A readily turn, which central ball may be of iron or any desired metal, and provided with openings for the reception of the spurs, pins or screws *a a a*, which are inserted and pass through

the legs A A A, said legs A A A being held upon the spurs, pins or screws *a, a, a* by means of a nut and washer as shown.

C shows the seat formed of canvas or any suitable material and attached to the legs A A A in any desired manner or by means of metal screws inserted into the upper ends of the legs A A A, and projecting over the eyelet holes in the canvas.

By reference to Fig. 4 of the drawings, a second mode of attaching the legs A A A to the central ball B is shown, in which the central ball B is tapped for the reception of screws *b. b. b* inserted from the outer side of the legs A A A and having their termination in the central ball B.

My improved camp-stool presents the following advantages: strength, in that the weighted ball B forms an exceedingly useful means of supporting the legs A A A, to which may be added the advantages of durability, portability and non-liability to get out of order.

In some cases "lignum vitæ" or some other hard wood might be substituted for iron in the formation of the central ball.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is.

The use or employment of the central ball B in combination with the legs A A A and seat C, when the same shall be constructed and operated as specified, for the purpose specified.

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